

MISSOURI REPEATER COUNCIL, Inc.
ANNUAL MRC MEETING MINUTES
03 August 2013

The meeting was called to order by Don Moore – KMØR (President) at 11:00 am at the Boone Electric Cooperative Community Room at 1413 Rangeline St., Columbia, MO.

After determining that a quorum was present, each of the nine members in attendance introduced themselves and indicated where they were from and which repeaters they represented.

The minutes of the 2012 MRC Annual Meeting were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report:

Balance 7/1/12	\$6312.60
Income:	\$386.00
Expenses:	\$202.54
Balance 8/1/13	\$6496.06
Increase over last year	\$183.46

Invoice on-hand in the amount of \$4,267.00 for development work on the coordination tools.

A motion was made, seconded and carried to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented.

Coordinator's Report:

Bryon, KØGSJ, reported that most of the coordination requests are for UHF repeaters. Most of these coordinations are for DMR/MotoTrbo repeaters in the KC metro area. These DMR repeaters are linked via the Internet and are part of the Midwest DMR network. We still have some issues with paper repeaters or repeaters that are not always on the air. More attention will be paid to these machines in the future as the demand for repeater pairs continues to exceed the availability.

Jeff, KB3HF, reported that he was able to coordinate a new 2-meter repeater in the SE area of the state. He also has coordinated the first digital (D-Star) repeater on the 1 MHz split sub-band.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

The subject of when and where to publish "Closed Repeaters" was discussed at length. The purpose of the ARRL *Repeater Directory* and the associated Travel Plus CD is to assist travelers in finding and making contacts, using nearby repeaters, as they pass through a geographical area. Repeaters listed as "Closed" by their owners do not meet these criteria and should not be listed in the *Directory*. However, it is helpful to have the MRC repeater list as complete as possible so that members and those wishing to request a new repeater pair can see if the frequency has already been coordinated in their area. Finally, the MRC database is not consistent with about a 50-50 split of publish or not. A motion was made, seconded and carried to not publish "Closed Repeaters" to the ARRL (including those currently in the database and all those coordinated as closed repeaters in the future), but to continue to publish them on the MRC Web page.

The collection of dues was suspended at the 2001 Annual Meeting. That motion stated that when the funds in the MRC treasury dropped below \$5,000, dues would automatically be reinstated. The balance in the treasury will be \$2,229.06 which is below the threshold established in 2001 after the invoice on-hand is paid. To continue to enhance the coordination tools to deal with adjacent states and keep the Web page and underlying database up-to-date, the MRC needs to reinstate collecting dues. The motion was made, seconded and carried that the MRC will assess dues at a cost of \$10.00 per coordinated frequency pair annually. If MRC decides to use a third party provider for on-line payment, the Board may assess a convenience fee in addition to the \$10.00.

Election of Officers:

The term of office for the President and Treasurer will expire at the close of the meeting. The following individuals were nominated from the floor:

President:	Don Moore, KMØR
Treasurer:	Roger Volk, KØGOB

Motion made, seconded and passed to close the nominations. There being only one nominee for each open position, a motion was made, seconded and carried to accept the slate by acclamation.

Good of the Order:

President thanked everyone for taking the time to attend the MRC Annual Meeting.

Motion made, seconded and passed to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 12:23 pm.

Oversight:

After adjournment, it was noted that the Director term for Jeff, KB3HF, also expired after the 2013 Annual Meeting. Per the Bylaws, any vacancy must be filled by the board of directors until the next Annual Meeting where the vacancy will be filled by majority vote of the members in attendance. The Board elected Jeff, KB3HF, to serve as a Director until the 2014 Annual Meeting. The Board regrets the oversight.

Submitted by,
Bill, NØPNP
MRC Secretary